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SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS THAT SINGAPORE FIRM BROKERED SALE OF WEAPONS FROM NORTH KOREA TO BURMA

- $\P 1$. (U) In April, local media reported on a story that first appeared in the Japanese press that North Korea had exported multiple rocket launchers to Burma through a Singaporean trading company.
- 12. (SBU) The allegations that a local trading company was involved in the sale of rocket launchers from North Korea to Burma were fully investigated and there is no evidence a Singaporean firm was involved or that such a transaction took place, Sharon SEAH Li-Lian, MFA Assistant Director for the International Organisations Directorate, told Emboffs June 5. Ms. Seah's response echoed a written statement Foreign Minister George Yeo issued May 26 in response to a question from Parliament. Singapore agencies continue to monitor the situation closely and will undertake enforcement actions if necessary, Ms. Seah said.

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